



London Tract Bridge Update

The London Tract Bridge is under PennDot's control. It is a state-owned and maintained bridge.

The current single-lane steel truss bridge was built in 1933 and crosses the White Clay Creek. PennDot closed the London Tract Bridge to replace it with a modern, thirty-two foot bridge. When complete it will have stone surfaces on the walls and abutments, and will allow two lanes of traffic to travel across the bridge.

The project was due to begin on June 15. It is already one month behind schedule because PennDot is waiting for PECO and Verizon to move telephone poles before construction can begin. Even though nothing is happening, PennDot decided to close the bridge because the signs were posted.

According to PennDot the bridge was to be closed one year. According to LBT, with current delays, expect at least eighteen months.

LBT offices get a renovation with \$10,000 grant

PA State Senator Dominic Peleggi contacted LBT one day to inform them of a grant they could receive to improve the township. With very little warning and time, they decided to apply for this grant to renovate the township office.

Each year state senators are given an amount of discretionary funds they can spend in their districts. This year Peleggi decided that his funds would go toward the townships in his district.

"We had less than a day to decide what to do, justify the project, and complete the application," said assistant township secretary, Carolyn Matalon.

Renovating the township's office space has been on a wish list, but there were always other priorities.

Now when you enter the building, you are greeted by Carolyn Matalon, our assistant township secretary. Before her office was in one of the back rooms. The wall between the entrance and the back room was removed, so now the town-

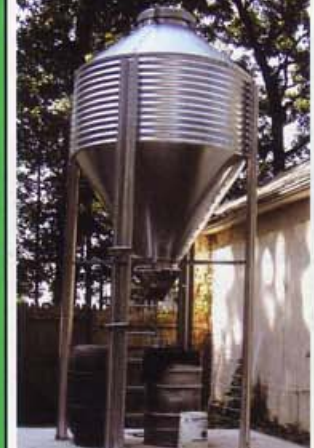


Carolyn Matalon sits in her new office, looking out at the entrance and new meeting area.

ship has a meeting space in the building. The bathroom was refurbished and painted.

Also with the grant the township purchased a lap-top computer for the township's GIS mapping software.

"We have reorganized the office so that confidential files can be locked when we leave for the day. Now we can have meetings in the building in the evening and not worry about compromising township records, files, and equipment," said Matalon.



The new corn silo behind the Township building.

The deer feeders/pesticide applicators have arrived. As deer eat the bait corn, a safe pesticide, Permethrin, is rubbed onto their necks. The pesticide kills the deer ticks on the deer. As the pesticide is applied to the deer, not the ground it is the most environmentally-friendly application method for application.

It is expected that within three years ninety-eight percent of the deer ticks in the

areas with deer feeder/pesticide applicators will be eliminated. Eliminating or reducing the deer tick population will reduce Lyme disease and other infections spread through deer tick bites.

To date twenty-eight of the thirty-two feeders have been strategically placed on private property volunteered by our residents. Currently the volunteer hosts are being trained in the correct usage.

The township has built a corn silo at the township building and corn has been delivered. Host residents will be responsible for keeping the deer feeders stocked with corn and pesticide.

Special thanks to the following residents for hosting a deer feeder on their property: Kathy and Richard Fisher, Bill Hutchings.

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Matt Murphy, BSA Troop 62

Thanks to Matt Murphy's Eagle Scout project Nichol Park now has a much wanted improvement-- porta-potties. He built the fence, landscaped around the fence, and built the benches near the area.

For aesthetic purposes, the fence needed to be in place before the township would install porta-potties at the park. Now, thanks to Matt's project those enjoying the park do not have to leave or use trees and bushes when nature calls.

"I did this project to benefit the community," said Matt. "I called Mr. Kulaja from the Parks Board when I heard

Eagle Scout builds fence at Nichol Park

they had projects needed done at the park and I chose this project so people would have a place to go to the bathroom."

From planning through implementation the project took 140 hours to complete. The fence was put up on June 3 and 4 and the area was landscaped on June 26. Matt had eleven scouts and seven adults help him complete the project. The fencing and landscaping cost about \$350.

"I learned many things from doing my Eagle project including listening to others and that leadership means not being the boss but helping others do what needs to be done," said Matt. "I learned how to manage a large project and how to use the advice of experts."

One of the difficulties that arose during this project was that the fence had to be raised after they thought it was complete because the township

required a six-inch gap at the bottom. After the area was mulched there was no gap, so the fence was then raised. Matt is a member of

Chester County Boy Scout's Troop 62 in Kemblesville. He lives in New London Township and is a sophomore at Avon Grove High School.



Left to Right: Ethan Eckard, Greg Smith, Jeremy Falkenau, Brian Wolff, Karen Murphy, Megan Murphy, Marsha Falkenau, Matt Murphy, Dave Eckard and Dave Kujala

Attention Residents:

Please do not throw trash into the new portable bathrooms at Nichol Park. This vandalism is creating problems and if it continues the porta-potties will be removed. We ask that you take whatever trash you bring to the park home and throw it away there. This will save YOUR tax dollars.

Deer feeder program update, (continued, page 1)

Charles Phillips, Sally Cheyne, Don and Sharon Allen, Stephanie and Leslie Town, Beth and Bill Skalish, Phil Rubin, Leslie White, Donna and Fred Nelson, Bob and Gloria Young, Keith Warrington, Janie and Dave Schnelle, Dave and Jean Bundas, Dollie Matalon, Tim Civatte, Ron and Linda Ferrari, Steven and Judy Krause, Yda Schroeder, Sharon and Paul Addison, Erik and Yvette Johnson, Michael Vanella, Richard and Virginia Garvine, Doug French, George and Ann Kledaras, Greg and Anne Stephens, Barb Cantor and Ray Para, Gina and Jeff Stapen, Bill Myers, Karl Sanders and Tom Cuccia.



As the deer eats the bait corn, Permethrin is rubbed onto the deer's neck by the applicators (light-colored cylinders).

For more information on the deer feeder program visit www.tickkiller.com.

Prevent Lyme, Inc.

A new organization, Prevent Lyme Inc., was organized by Janie and Dave Schnelle. Their mission is to advocate, facilitate, support, consult and participate with government, community, faith based groups/organizations that are interested in fighting Lyme disease. Their primary weapon is the EPA approved "4 poster" deer feeder technology using perithium for tickicide. The LBT project was this organization's first major endeavor. Donations to support this group and further activities can be sent to Prevent Lyme Inc., P.O. Box 196, Kemblesville, PA 19347.

The LBT web site went up on July 13 - finally! Check it out at www.londonbritaintownship-pa.gov

The new Uniform Construction

The PA State Legislature passed the Act 34 Uniform Construction Code in 1999 to have uniform building codes and inspections throughout the state (New Jersey did this fifteen years ago). The Department of Labor and Industry was charged with implementing the law. To do this they adopted the International Construction Code of 2003 as this state's standards for commercial and residential construction, becoming effective July 8.

Each township was given the opportunity to control the inspections and permitting within their township by "opting in" to the program by ordinance. Townships that chose to "opt-out" gave control to the state. LBT chose to opt-in and will be the contact point for all building permits and inspections in the township.

Now that this law has been implemented, state officials are realizing the unnecessary burden this will put on single-family residences. Already an amendment removing permits for carpeting, painting, and finishing has passed the House and Senate and is awaiting Governor Rendell's signature. Other amendments are being created to address other issues for residential construction. There are proposals to remove single family, residential construction from the bill altogether.

Hazardous waste recycling

September 11 • 9:00 a.m. - 3 p.m.

New Garden Township Garage (Route 41 near Newark Rd.)

Bring unwanted hazardous household, automotive, home maintenance, lawn and pest control products to the next Regional Southeastern Pennsylvania Household Hazardous Waste Collection.

Hazard products such as insecticide, pesticides, oil-based paints, cleaning products, chemicals should not be dumped down septic systems, drainage ditches, or thrown away in normal trash as they could damage the environment.

Start collecting your unwanted hazardous materials now for this special opportunity to dispose of them properly.

The following words identify hazardous waste products that will be accepted on September 11 in New Garden:

CAUTION
TOXIC
DANGER

FLAMMABLE
WARNING
CORROSIVE
EXPLOSIVE
REACTIVE
COMBUSTIBLE
POISONOUS
HAZARDOUS

Pack hazardous household waste safely in original containers for transport. Latex paint is not accepted at the Hazardous Waste Recycling Days because it can be disposed of properly. Open unwanted cans of latex paint and allow to air dry or absorb the latex paint onto paper and dispose with trash.

Recycle motor oil, car batteries, tires and antifreeze at your local service station. SECCRA on State Street in West Grove accepts these items.

Other unacceptable items include:

Explosives
Ammunition
Appliances
Radioactive waste
Infectious waste
Unidentified waste.

Caution: Chip Paving

It's that time of year again. The Township road crews will be oiling and chipping township roads. This is important to keep roads maintained.

Chipping will occur on Elbow Lane, Strickersville (between 896 and Flint Hill), Reynard, Fennec, Fox Brook, Beacon Hill, Tower Hill and Post Roads sometime around August 1.

LBT Newsletter

wins third place

In the 36th Annual Township Citizen Communication Contest, the London Britain Township Newsletter won third place in the Class 3 Township (2,501-5000 population) category. It was awarded for outstanding efforts and achievements in citizen communication by the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors (PSAT). The annual contest recognizes townships that have successfully communicated programs and activities to citizens.

Electronics Recycling Day

September 18 • Noon to 4 p.m.

SECCRA Landfill

219 Street Road, West Grove

SECCRA (Southeastern Chester County Refuse Authority) is sponsoring an Electronics Recycling Day where you can properly dispose of any piece of electronic equipment from computers and peripherals, to TVs, VCRs, microwaves. Anything electronic, with a cord, will be accepted. An electronics recycling company has been contracted to properly dispose of these unwanted items on this day. For questions contact SECCRA at 610-869-2452.

London Britain Township Directory

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Township Meetings

All meetings are held at the LBT Meeting Hall

Board of Supervisors Meetings:
2nd and 4th Mondays, 7 PM

Planning Commission Meetings:
2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 7 PM

Davies retires from LBT Land Trust

The first founding member of the LBT Land Trust, Warren Davies, retired from the Board after his six-year term of office expired. Land Trust Board members may only serve one six-year term.

Warren was instrumental in creating the ground work for the Land Trust.

Warren worked tirelessly to secure the grant that allowed the Trust to purchase Lot 5 (the first property of the Greenway). He also was instrumental on the Trust's Murray easement project.

Warren-- thank you for all you have done for this township!

LBT Parks and Recreation Advisory

Board needs volunteers

There is lots to be done and you can help. The LBT Parks and Recreation Advisory Board is seeking more members to help plan events for the community and continue to plan improvements and seek grants at Nichol Park. If you are interested in "growing" the park please call Judy Emory at 610-255-0543.

Library Board representative needed

LBT is seeking a volunteer to represent the Township on the Avon Grove Library Board. The Avon Grove Library Board meets once a month on a Wednesday evening. Call the Township office for more details.

Paving needs permit

If you plan to pave your driveway a permit is needed. Stop by the Township office to get the application. The offices are open Monday through Friday 8 a.m. until 11 a.m. Dave Messaros is also available on Monday evenings from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. for permit and zoning issues.

Septic System Reminder

Receipts for Septic Systems due to be pumped in 2004 should be sent to the Township Office by the required deadline specified in the notice sent to your residence. Please return in a prompt manner to the Township office to avoid further letters and/or fines.

All sellers of LBT properties should give buyers records of septic management for the property. This will aid the buyers in properly managing on-lot sewage for the property.